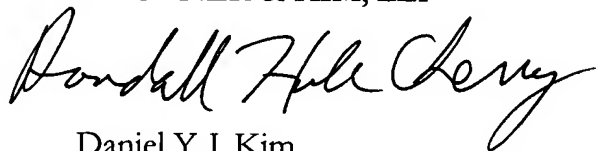


REMARKS

Claims 1-26 are pending. By this Preliminary Amendment, claims 1-17 are amended, and claims 18-26 are added. Prompt examination and allowance in due course are respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,
FLESHNER & KIM, LLP

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Daniel Y. J. Kim", is written over the printed name.

Daniel Y. J. Kim
Registration No. 36,186
Randall H. Cherry
Registration No. 51,556

P.O. Box 221200
Chantilly, VA 20153-1200
703 502-9440
Date: September 5, 2002

DYK/ RHC:mlc:jgm